



City of Seattle

Seattle Workforce Housing Forum

Thursday, February 13th, 2014

Seattle City Hall: 600 4th Avenue - Bertha Knight Landes Room

Hosted by the Seattle City Council

12:00 – 1:30 Council Briefing and Overview

Introduction and Overview: Council Member Mike O'Brien

Workforce Housing Policy in Comparable Cities: Kurt Creager and Paul Peninger

Incentive Zoning Program – summary of key questions: Rick Jacobus

Overview of Economic Study Methodology

Preview of Afternoon panels

Questions/Discussion: Moderator, Rick Jacobus

2:00 – 4:30 Breakout Panel Discussions

Breakouts will begin with discussion from panelists followed by Q&A, then feedback from the audience on promising ideas for Seattle for further study.

Panel A: New Strategies for Workforce Housing

The panel will explore innovative ways that other regions are meeting affordable housing needs and will highlight public-private partnerships in Denver and California that are having real impact in their regions.

Moderator: Paul Peninger, Peninger Consulting/OTAK Inc.

Panelists:

- Thomas Streitz, City of Minneapolis, MN
- Bena Chang, Silicon Valley Leadership Group
- Aaron Miripol, Urban Land Conservancy

Panel B: Best Practices for Incentive Zoning

The panel will feature experts and administrators of incentive zoning policies around the country about how to optimize this tool.

Moderator: Rick Jacobus, Cornerstone Partnership

Panelists:

- Robert Hickey, Center for Housing Policy/National Housing Conference
- Robin Kniech, City Council Member, Denver, CA
- Sandy Council, City of San Mateo, CA
- Brenda Clement, Citizens Housing and Planning Association, MA

4:30-6:00 Informal Gathering with Panelists: Forum participants are welcome to join our panelists for a no-host happy hour at the Polar Bar: 700 3rd Avenue.

6:00 – 8:00 Public Feedback Event

This event will be geared towards the general public and will feature highlights from the panelists and an opportunity for public feedback on ideas.